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Interview Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Robert M. Timblin

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Robert M. Timblin.

(3) Matthew J. Smyth.

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Date of Interview: 10 October 2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____

Claim(s) discussed: 1, 24, and 25.


Identification of prior art discussed: Zhou.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant's representative discussed the present invention in respect to the preventing limitation of claim 1 and the requesting of additional data of claim 25. The Examiner suggested Applicant to include more specific language pertaining to the "object", "data entries", and the preventing step in claim 1. Furthermore, the Examiner suggested the "additional data" to be clarified in respect to claim 25. Applicant's representative agreed to make such amendments in accordance with the Examiner's suggestions. Proposed amendments were submitted by Applicant's representative, however, the Examiner found such amendments to be read upon by Zhou. In particular, the added limitation specifying the preventing step by use of a locking function was interpreted by the Examiner as concurrency lock which is well known in any computing system to protect resources by limiting access to one requesting object (while other requesting processes are essentially "locked" out).